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Mayor, W. C. Carrington.

City Attorney, A. M. Keiley.

THE CITY GOVERNMENT.

Treasurer, S. C. Greenhow.
Clerk to Treasurer, D. A. Cardwell.
Auditor, James B. Royster.
Clerk to Auditor. E. McCarthy.
City Engineer, W. E. Cutshaw.

Assistant City Engineer, S. E. Bates. Clerk to City Engineer, S. B. Jacobs Superintendent of Public Schools, James

Police Justice, Joseph J. White. Clerk to Police Justice, D. C. Richardson. Superintendent of Gas-Works, John H.

Foreman and Clerk of Gas-Works, W.C.

Assistant Superintendent of Water-

Surgeon of Police, Dr. C. W. P. Brock.

Clerk to Police Force, Wallace Washing-

First Assistant Engineer Fire Depart-

Second Assistant Engineer, J.F. Wing-

Third Assistant Engineer, A.L. Fuqua. Superintendent of Almshouse, Charles P.

Assistant Superintendent of Almshouse,

Surgeon of Almshouse, Dr. J.S. D. Cul-

Matron of City Almshouse, Mrs. Lucy J.

Sergeant-at-Arms of City Council, Benja-

Clerk of First Market, Samuel Ellis. Clerk of Second Market, Gorge Timber-

Commissioner of the Revenue, Robert B.

Assistant Commissioners of the Revenue,

Edward Gray, H. H. Wikins, John W. Wilks, M. L. Guerrant, and J. J. Royster.

Deputies, J. E. Riddick and Charles W.

City Collector, Aylett R. Woodson

Grain Measurer, John B. Dowden.

Fish Inspector, Thomas A. Brander.

Deputy Coroner, Dr. Christopher Tomp-

Board of Police Commissioners: W. C.

The City Conneil.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN The Board of Al-

Marshall Ward: J. C. Dickerson, C. B.

Mouroc Ward: L.L. Bass, James T. Gray,

Clay Ward: C. R Barksdale, E. D. Kel-

Jackson Ward: Uswald Gasser, Richard

Jefferson Ward John M. Higgins, W. S.

Wood, James E. Phillips, H. C. Adams,

Madison Ward : N. D. Hargrove, C. T.

Clay Ward : Leroy S. Edwards, J. J.

Jackson Ward: W. J. Gentry, M. H. Ir-

vin, A. W. Pierce, T. H. Pollock, John

Standing Committees of Council, 1878 to

Curtis, Adams, Gentry, and Edwards.

bell. From Commin Council: Hlyson,

Elijah Baker.

Rankin.

Lipscomb, William H. Williams.

Wagner, John A. Meredith.

dermen is composed of eighteen members,

Gauger, Richard Fox.

Harbor Master, R. H. Styll.

Coroner, Dr. W. H. Taylor

Sheriff, John W. Wright.

High-Constable, Thomas L. Whiting.

City Sergeant, N. M. Lee.

City Clerk, Edward C. Howard.

on. Chief of Fire Department, George A.

Chief of Police, John Poe, Jr.

Works, W. J. Riddick.

ment, G. W. Taylor.

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1878. Richmond's Record.

A STEADY ADVANCE. No Step Backward.

Official Operations.

THE WORK OF THE CITY DEPARTMENTS

PLUCKY PEOPLE

Manufacturers' Triumph over Eard Times SOCIAL STATISTICS.

Taxation, Births, Marriages and Deaths.

Religious Register.

LARGE INCREASE IN CHURCH MEMBERSHI

SCHOOL SYSTEM. Labors and Wants of Public Educators

MISCELLANEOUS.

IMPORTANT LOCAL EVENTS-ROSTER

OF THE MILITARY-FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL-THE PRISONS-NECROLOGICAL,

&c., &c., &c.

"Let the past guide, the future cheer." seems not an inappropriate maxim to place at the head of long columns of facts and figures gathered with purpose to show the lessons of the year. So busy is city life, so engrossing our cares or pursuit of pleasure, few bestow upon events outside of their immediate concerns more than a passing R. M. J. Paynter. thought. A glance at "the day's paper "an exclamation, perhaps, of surprise or Carrington (Mayor), exception president; pleasure, or regret, as some startling item is Roard Mayor Wayor Taba Enders of the read-and then the thing is forgotten. Beread—and then the thing is forgotten. Before the end of the year most of the occurrences of the twelvemonth have become minled with the dust of the twelvemonth have become mingled with the dust of the by-gones. To Myers; Madison Ward, P. H. Mayo. revive the recollections of our readers a little; to make ready and preserve for the historian material for some valuable chapters; to determine whether our city is ful-John A. Meredith, of Madison Ward, is filling the expectations of her well-wishers. president. The following are the other and that all interested may see upon what members of the Board, which meets on the foundation our hopes are built; beyond all, second Monday in each month at 5 P. M .: that experience may strengthen us for the future, we have compiled with affectionate ere (and considerable labor) a great variety | C. Smith, R. G. Canel. of information relating to Richmond in

The records of the courts and the prisons, the reports of transportation companies, the registers of trade and commerce, ly, Charles L. Todd. the archives of the city, the books of manufacturers, the files of our paper for each Forrester, Josiah Gramp. day in the year, the list of births and deaths, and many other places, where facts and figures lay entombed, have been explored. Ward, is president. The Common Council and the breath of journalistic life put into inanimate matter. If our efforts have not 5 P. M. The following are the other memfailed, the readers of the Dispatch have today before them a comprehensive view of Curtis, James Hayes, James F. Gunn, James Richmond's business and social life, a fair H. Goddin. dea of our standing in the world, with hany special items of interest in regard to axation, expenditures of public moneys, public schools, church statistics, and organ- Davis, James M. Talbott, L. D. Crenshaw, izitions of every character—religious, benevalent, social, commercial, and military.

Charles F. Taylor

Monroe Ward: T. H. Ellett, W. H. Hax-

There was a large and gratifying increase all, O. F. Manson, J. T. Ellyson, M. L. n our mercantile business with the States Straus. of Nerth Carolina, South-Carolina, West King, Charles R. Skinker, E. D. Christian, Virginia, and portions of Georgia. Our Robert W. Oiliver. berchants are resching out in every possible direction for new customers, and have shown enterprise which, if continued with unshated vigor, will be productive of the 1880.—On Streets From Board of Aldermost wholesome results.

Our manufacturers had much to contend comb, Cabell, Bas, Bealt, and Gasser. with. Hard times, close competition, and From Common Council: Ellett, Taylor, limited demand have confronted them condantit. The loss in manufactures of 1878 den: Louis Wagger (chairman), Williams, as compared with 1877 was \$4,015,257. In and Barksdale. From Common Council: lobrece alone it was \$2,416,758, having to McDowell, Wood Curtis, and Adams. other hadustries to bear the remaining H. G. Cannon (dairman), Scott, and Todd. 81.593,459. The agitation of the tobacco From Common Council: Skinker, Hartax in Cangress all of last winter, and the grove, Christian, and Ellyson. consequent stagnation of the trade during the succeeding months, with the suspension A. Curtis (chairman), Crenshaw, Goddin, of all business with the great southern cities and Gentry. From Board of Aidermen: where the redow-fever prescribed and follows: where the reslow-fever prescalled, sufficientexplains what otherwise slight be deemed | Charles T. Davis (chairman), Talbott, Harwery discouraging exhibit. It crippled grove, and Hayes From Board of Alder-the tobacco terminaturers for the Fear men: Lipseomb, Smith, and Scott. the tobacco menutacturers for the Fear. The wonder is that it did not anmiklate them. All other manufacturers Gregory, Talbott, and Gunn. From Board bere are satisfied with their results. With of Aldermen: Smith, Bealt, and Kelly.

On Schools—From Board of Aldermen: 187 to hough the prices realized were smaller. The orders in hand and prospects ger-Goddin, Edwards, and Baker. L. L. Bass (chairman), Dickerson, and Coerally are wably encouraging. Only let the tobacco tax b. settled, and every factory will have its fur complement of hands, From Board of Aldelmen : Cabell and Farplanters will get good prices for heaf, and rester. thy and country stike teel the thrill of re-

rniog prosperity. In short, Richmond hastaken po step backward. Most other cities were evatent to hold their own. We have done better. We made wards, Straus, and Brita.

On Grounds and Buildings—From Board of Aldermen; W. H. Williams (chairman) the extended are being to sex that state of the state of th most decided schrances in '78. The many

DISPATOF

RICHMOND, VA., WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1, 1879 .-- DOUBLE SHEET. most ardent prayers can be for but little Pierce. From Board of Aldermen: Lipsmore. While sister southern cities were

omb and Kelly.
On Ordinances—From Common Council: from flood and fire, we were comparatively on First Market—From Common Council: H. C. Adams (chairman), Phillips, and Irvin. From Board of Aldermen: Dicker-

of religious influences in a community afson and Crump.. On Second Market—From Common Counready notable in this respect, and the absence of shocking crimes, and the peace cil: T. H. Ellett (chairman), Oliver, and and good order which were easily main. Davis. From Board of Aldermen: Todd

and Forrester. tained, authorize the belief that if we are On Retrenchment and Reform-From chosen for "great riches" we shall also Common Council: J. J. King (chairman), Hargrove, and Skinker. From Board of Aldermen : Gray and Beall. On Fire-Alarm and Police Telegraph— From Board of Aldermen: W. H. Williams

(chairman) and Cannon. From Common Council: Gunn, Higgins, and Phillips. On Lunatics-From Common Council: James E. Phillips (chairmen), Rankin, and Pollock. From Board of Aldermen: Scott and Wagner,

On Improvement of James River-From private citizens: R. E. Blankenship (chairman), E. O. Nölting, Albert Ordway, George W. Allen, Isaac Davenport, John B. Purcell, and J. K. Childrey. From Board of Aldemen: Cannon, Beall, and Wagner. From Common Council: Curtis. Christian, Crenshaw, and Gregory. On Board of Public Interests-From Common Council: O. F. Manson (chairman), Gas Inspector, W. H. Page.

Superintendent of Water-Works, Loies From private citizens: A. R. Courtney, William H. Palmer, E. O. Nölting, Franklin Stearns, and Joseph R. Anderson.

THE POST-OFFICE.

Postmaster, Colonel W. W. Forbes; Asistant Postmaster, Colonel A. Q. Holladay; General Clerk, John Græme; Superintendent Money-Order Division, Major Robert Caruthers; Clerks-Rev. C. W. Petherbridge, W. G. Forbes; Registered Letter Division-James M. Wayt, Mrs. C. C. Mera; Stamp Clerk, John W. Dobson; Box Clerk, William Powers; General Delivery Clerk, C. W. Bussell: Assistant B. J. Broselman C. W. Russell; Assistant, B. L. Braselman. Mailing Department: Richard L. Kyle, Josiah Crump, James Bowser, Richard C. Bolling, Peter Roane. Porter, William Jackson. Superintendent Carriers' Department, E. S. Anderson. The force consists of fourteen carriers and two collectors of letters.

The sales of stamps, stamped envelopes, postal cards, and newspaper-wrappers during the past two calendar years were as fol-1877. 1878.

Postage stamps Stamped envelopes and wrap-		\$42,197
persPostal cards	16,514	16,897 6,221
Newspaper and periodical stamps for postage on publi-	\$63,939	\$65,815
cations sent to regular sub- scribers. Postages collected Box rents	1.525	\$ 5.545 1.350 1,246
Total	\$71,654	\$73.256
Registered Letters: for distribution in the		received ,287; let-

Sealer of Weights and Measures, A. G. ters received for distribution to other offices, 7,140; letters in transit from other offices for distribution throughout the country, 16,303; registered package envelopes sent from this office, 14,053. Money Orders .- During the year 1878 there were issued 8,122 orders, aggregating

\$110.779.52; fees on same, \$997.95. There

were 25,432 orders paid, aggregating \$393, Superintendent of Fire Alarm Telegraph, 493.71. The amount of deposits received from other offices was \$917,673. LETTER-CARRIERS' WORK FOR 1878 .-Registered letters delivered, 11,100; mail letters delivered, 1,253,205; mail cards de-Board-Monroe Ward. John Enders; Jeflivered, 293,193; drop letters delivered, 93,793; drop cards delivered, 97,836; pr-pers, &c., delivered, 621,512; letters collected, 708,579; city letters collected, 54,-809; cards collected, 243,359; papers, &c.,

collected, 94,456; postage on local matter to the credit of letter-carriers' salary, The following are the letter-carriers: No. 1. John B. Newell; 2. Henry Austin; . John G. Baugh; 4. H. W. Knackstead; 5. James B. Christian; 6. William Henry Wells; 7. W. T. Yarbrough; 8. L. M. Lee; 9. W. Isaac Johnson; 10. C. W. Wingfield; 11. B. F. Turner; 12. Cabell Jefferson Ward : William H. Scott, James Thompson; 13. Richard Forrester; 14. Geoorge B. Ball; 15. Thomas O'Conner; Madison Ward : Lloyd J. Beall, Louis 16. Bernard Krause. The two last named

> Collections from the Street Letter-Boxes.

are letter-collectors.

The following is a complete list of the star" boxes in this city: Route 15 .- Main and First, Second, Third, COMMON COUNCIL - The Common Council is composed of thing members, five from and Sixth; Grace and First, Fifth and Sev- rate of tax. \$1.40 on the \$100 value; polls enth: Broad and First, Second, Third, at 50 cents each included: Fourth, Fifth. Sixth, Seventh. Eighth, = meets on the first Monday in each month at Ninth, and Eleventh; Capitol Square, Ford's Hotel, City Hall, and St. Claire Ho-Marshall Ward : [6. P. Gregory, John A.

Route 16 .- Main and Twelfth, Thirteenth, between Thirteenth and Fourteenth (at Oppenheimer's), Fourteenth, Fifteenth, Seventeenth, Eighteenth, Nineteenth, Twentieth, Twenty-first, and Locust alley; Cary and Thirteenth, Fourteenth, Fifteenth, Seventeenth, Eighteenth, and Virginia street; Franklin and Thirteenth, Fourteenth Eighteenth, Nineteenth, Twenty-first, and Mayo street; Exchange Hotel, St. James Hotel, and Chesapeake and Ohio depôt.

Four collections from these boxes are made by the regular collectors daily (except Sunday), commencing respectively at 5:45 and 9:40 A. M. and 3 and 6 P. M.; on Sunday at 3 P. M. only. From all other boxes and from some of the "star" boxes, collections are made by letter-carriers going in or returning from their rounds.

It should be understood that each regular collection of mail matter from the "star" boxes is theoretically simultaneous throughout the city. The collectors may commence at any box on their respective routes, and are not required to be at a particular box at or within a specified time. They are liable, however, to suspension for commencing a collection in advance of the prescribed time. By this arrangement any person who deposits a letter in a "star' box at or before the time for commencing a collection has the assurance that it will be On Light-From Common Council : John taken to the post-office in time for the next outgoing mail. If he deposits it after the prescribed hour he takes the chances of having it remain in the box until the next collection. For instance, a letter put into a street box not later than 3 P. M. will go off on the northern mail which is closed a 4 P. M.; but if deposited therein at 3:15 or On Fire Department-From Common later it may not get to the post-office unti 6:30 or 7 P. M.

MOFFETT-REGISTER TAX. The Moffett-register system of liquor taxation went into full operation here about the middle of September, 1877. The returns to

On Elections-From Common Council:	the Auditor's office for 134 months are:	
R. W. Oliver (chairmin), Gunn, and Pierce. From Board of Aldersen: Cabell and Far- rester. On Police—From Found of Aldermen: O.	1877. September (½)	
(Gasser (chairman) and Grump. From Con- zion Council: King, Higgins, and Raskin. On Claims and Scharles—From Board of Addermen: J. C. Dickerson (chairman) and	1878. January 3,965 6 February 8,764 6 March 3,709 2 April 3,894 6	
Wards, Straus, and Irsin. On Grounds and Buildings-From Board	May 3,484 4 ##################################	-
of Aldermen: W. H. Williams (chairman) and Cramp. From Comon Council: Wood, Hayes, and Taylor. On Accounts and Printing—From Com-	Total for 1314 months	0

OUR MANUFACTORIES.

more. While sister southern cities were sourged by pestilence, Richmond enjoyed scourged by pestilence, Richmond enjoyed street best of health; while others suffered from flood and fire, we were comparatively from flood and fire, we were comparatively from flood and fire, we were comparatively on First Market—From Common Council:

Our annual tabular statement of the manufactories of Richmond for 1878 shows 562 at work—an increase of 39. They employed 11,730 persons, or 263 less than in 1877, and their sales for 1878 amounted to \$17,951,050, or \$4.015,257 less than the preceding year. The heaviest loss is found in the manufactured-tobacco trade of all branches, amounting to \$2,416,758 as compared with 1877. The remaining loss of \$1,598,499 is accounted for by the reduced prices of all the products of labor, for most of our factories show increased production during the year while in many departments. ries show increased production during the year, while in many departments we were told of steadily increasing orders. On the whole, our manufacturers generally (other than tobacco) seem encouraged by the results of the year's work, and speak hopefully of the future. With the settlement of the tobacco-tax question by Congress we may expect to see our tobacco trade revive, and a buoyancy in all classes of business greater than for some years past.

3	KIND OF MANUFACTORIES.	Number of Establishme	Number of Hands.	Value of Tools and Machine	Value of Real Este		Amount of Sales.
1	Agricultural machinery, implements, &c	5	245	84,200 16,000	\$, 90,100 26,000	*	393,700 70,300
	Bakers	20	84	17,250	80,300		137.892
1	Rarrels	14	202	5,225	76,100	18	154,758
	Bark and sumacBags	8	106	31,600 2,500	45,200 9,800		399,300
:	Rricka	8	330	10,500	83,000		25,600 136,000
1	Builders	37	267	32.000	£8,00m		360,500
,	Bookbinders, lithographers, and paper-box maker	6	381	52,450 61,150	34.500		137.700
	Builders Bookbinders, littlographers, and paper-box makers. Books and Job-printers. Boots, shoes, leather, and leather goods.	14 78	192	10.594	88,400 98,380	1	223,600 177,641
-		28	16	800	1.000	100	27,200
,	Horne (wood)	10	60: 741	7.300 26,750	17,000	ken	85,425
33	Candy Carciages, wage 1, and carts Cisats and cigareftes Cigar-loxes	10 15	142	8,500	103,500	1	333,200 109,300
灦	Cigars and cigareftes	40	359	11,096	59,100 63,700		325,100
	Corn-meal.	3 5	13	59,500	2,300 35,000		5.800
1	Coffee and spice	2	20	7,000	14,000		222.232 97,300
	Clothing	1	290	500	22,000	-	155,000
38	Cotton factories	2	340	115,000	67.000		326,800
1	Cotton- and woollen-mill fixtures	64	183	12,995	2,400		739 825
10,00	Fertilizers	3	82	12,995 28,700	34.300		366,707
	Flour	13	191	258,000 8,410	435,000	1	2,304,229
	Granite-works	2	85 450	29,000	91.500		83,740 176,400
•	Granite-works. Iron- and nail-works, machine-works, and foundries	12	1,417	446,700	427,000	1	1.049,500
t	Line Lubricator off and grease	1	8	75	8,000 7.800	1	16,390
	Marble- and stone-cutters	2912251	31	3,000 1,445	14,850		27,500 25,800
	Paper	1	65	50,000	20,000	1	120,000
L	Pork-packing Sash, blinds, doors, &c	2	40	11,000	32,000	1.	350,800
;	Sash, blinds, doors, &c	1	82 25	38,500 12,000			78,300
,	Saw-works Saddles, harness, horse-collars, &c	12		9,650	2,800 54,890	1	163,260
,			40	40,000	6.500	1	95,000
•	Stove foundries.	i	50	25,000 6,500	25,000		7,500
•	Sons and candles			7,300	19,500		60,500
•	Tallors (merchant).	1 27	204	4,955	103,370	il.	210,760
0	Tobacco (chewing) Tobacco (smoking)	12	3.664	387.000 26,850			6,039,400
٠.	Tobacco stemmeries	1 20	953	19.741	213,000		768,200
8	Tobacco-reprizers	14	235	9,300	61.000)	427,750
7	Tobacco-reprizers Tobacco-fixtures manufactory Tinware.	25	- 170	6.200 16.650			33,200 269,500
3	Thenry Ira	1 2		225	8,300	1	18,600
	Type foundry. Underwear (ladies' and gentlemen's). Wire-railing and verandas.	1		10.000	4.000)	20,000
	Underwear (ladies' and gentlemen's)	6	12	1,785		?	35,338
						-1	8.600
	Totals	562	11,730	\$2,033,196	*3,585,10	018	17.951,050

CITY DEBT. The following is a statement of the

bonded debt of the city of Richmond as it existed on the 1st of January, 1865, to 1879 inclusive, and the matured interest of same dates:

	3
\$1.886,392 1.987,392 2.071,642 2.081,642 2.081,652 2.092,252 2.092,252 2.387,828 2.387,828 3.287,828 3.287,824 3.287,495 3.247,495 3.247,495 3.247,495	Six Per Cent. Bonds.
\$ 30,000 267,500 1,208,200 1,208,200 1,214,700 1,214,700	Eight Per Cent. Bonds.
\$1.886,392 20,081,864,392 20,081,864,292 20,081,864,292 20,081,864,292 20,081,864,292 20,081,864,292 20,081,864,292 20,081,964	Total Bonded Debt.
\$113.183 114.442 124.298 124.298 125.3286 125.3286 125.3286 125.3286 125.3286 126.53	Yearly Interest.
The city charter limits the issue o to eighteen per cent. of the	f bonds taxable

to eighteen per cent, of the faxable value of real estate. A recent act of the Legislature requires as a basis of taxation the State assessment, which for 1878, including improvements, amounted to \$28,539,902, eighteen per cent, of which makes the bond-limit......

All matured bonds of the city bave been paid as presented, leaving outstanding—Peter Crew, \$500; William Carke, \$150. The next maturity will oc-cur in 1880, amounting to \$105.109, to retire which the assets of the sinking fund will be more

REAL AND PERSONAL PROPERTY AND TAXES THEREON.

The following statement contains the as sessed value of all the real and personal Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, and Ninth; property in the city, and the taxes thereon, Franklin and First, Second, Third, Fourth, the number of polls, &c., for the year 1878-

\$609,434 33	·	T		Total city taxes	Total c
\$417.099 22 156,452 86 35.382 25	\$11,751	\$17,855 11	\$10,755,582 \$17,855 11 \$10,755,582 \$11,751	otal real estateotal personal property	otal real esta otal personal License tar
* 25.757 65 5.329 98 11.694 00 47.088 19 111.775 71 66.907 83 85.320 19 56.460 20 16.568 44 26.691 47 8,021 28	\$ 1,162 2,437 1,593 1,892 1,892 1,891 2,306	\$ 696 70 4.720 16 3.012 13 4.380 94 3.345 25 1.699 93	\$ 1,790.070 321.410 7.640.987 3.2764.985 7.768,829 4,293.647 6.762.447 1.613.657 3,793.927 1,116.995 1,785.097 1,88,448	Real estate	shall.
Amount of Tax.	Polls.	Culverts, &c.	Assessed Value.		VARDS.

State Assessment and Taxes for 1878. Value of income...... 1.220.556

The following taxes were assessed:

 Tax on real estate
 \$140.098 02

 Tax on personal property
 \$7.120 80

 Tax on income
 12.205 54

 Tax on equitation
 12.41 20

 l'ax on Moffett registers.....

The tax on real estate and personal pro- pumps. perty is one-half per cent; the tax on income is one per cent; capitation is one dol-

the cars from Broad and Laurel to Main and Twenty-eighth are about ten minutes. The officers of the road are: Mr. Lewis N. Hopkins, of Baltimore, president; General R. L. Walker, supermendent; and C. Waldrop, treasurer and secretary. The other employes are: One foreman, one watchman, one blacksmith, nine drivers. two tug-boys, and eight hostlers and jobsecond assistant engineer: A. L. Fuqua,

TAX ON REALESTATE, CULVERTS AND VAULTS---1865-1878.

hands.

foreman, 3 station-men and 9 minute-men. The following is a statement of the taxable value of real estate, and taxes thereon, street near Twentieth-Herman-Paul forcfrom 1865 to 1878 inclusive, under assessman, 3 station-men and 9 minute-men, nents made by order of the Council:

_						Service Transfer and Transfer of
	1865 1866 1866 1866 1868 1870 1872 1872 1874 1877 1877 1877 1877	Year.	man, 3 st Steam Third str	ati Fi rest	n-men a re-Engin near Br	ides T. Phillips fore- nd 9 minute-men. e Company No. 4. ond—J. T. Pemberton
	\$19,344.050 19,707.277 20,786.398 23,957.428 24,185.710 26,196.166 26,196.166 26,196.1443 29,166.989 29,831.162 30,223.609 30,223.609 28,541.354	Appraisement.	Steam avenue foreman, - Hose C Main-J. men.	Firand 3 s	e-Engine Marsha tation-m pany Ne Waltha	en and 9 minute-men. Company No. 5, Brook till street—Elias Kelly en and 9 minute-men. o. 6. Tenth Street near il foreman, 9 minute-
	* 363.227 1.079.121 3.211.030 1878.7812 151.470 1.699.446 193.308 751.979 2.21.536 664.183 392.447 133.685 * 1,815.840	Yearly Increase.	Broad str man, 2 st The Fi \$34,000 p	reet atio re l er	near Ni on-men a Departm annum.	Truck Company No. 1, nth—A. T. Minor fore- nd 9 minute-men. ent costs the city about
	44555588888 88 000005555 00	Rate.	The fo	llov	ving is a curred	statement of the fires during the year, with
	\$193.440 \$236.487 \$246.487 \$246.487 \$262.317 \$26	Real Estate Taxes.	DATE.	Bex.	Loss.	CAUSE OF FIRE.
	**************************************	Culvert Vault T	Jan'y 4 Jan'y 9 Feb'y 3 Feb'y 26. March 1.	6 17 32 4	100	Sparks from fire-place. Unknown. Chimney sparks. Chimney sparks. Chimney sparks.

* Decrease of \$1.815.840 by making the city

CITY GAS-WORKS.

The following is a statement of the gas made and consumed during the year 1878:

feet Cubic fo
5.000 9.723.9 1.800 8.150.3 1.800 7.953.7 1.800 7.017.2 1.100 6.525.2 1.900 4.830.4 1.600 6.281.7 1.600 8.369.1 1.300 9.426.0 1.400 9.966.6
0.600 89,483.0
L

house, 185,892 bushels; total quantity o lime used in purifying, 31,395 bushels. Receipts for coke and other articles sold, The following is a statement of meters in

and out of use, changed, reset, taken out, and introduced for new consumers: In use, 3,164; changed, 369; reset, 223; introduced for new consumers, 136. Street-Mains .- Forty-six miles and 1,060

feet of street-mains have been laid from the Dec'r 23. commencement of the works to date. Street-Lamps .- Number at last report, 1,188; added during the year, 7-total,

CITY WATER-WORKS. This department, although very exten-

sive, is generally in excellent condition. The pumps, the basis of operation, are all in good order, considering the constant labor they have to perform, the demands for MONTHS. water being so great, which is augmented every day by new attachments in almost every part of the city, some of which are for large quantities. The street-mains, stop-cocks, and fire-plugs are periodically examined in a manner due to their importance. The only serious difficulty that has July occurred during the year is the breakage of he cast-iron valve-seats in the new pumps. These have been replaced by brass ones, and no farther trouble is anticipated. One Decem'r. 1 of the valve-chests is giving way, and will soon bave to be renewed; a new one was cast some time since, and is now at the works ready for use when necessary. The air-injectors put in last year have very materially improved the working of all the

The reservoirs are in most excellent con dition. Much credit is due to Mr. L. W.

One square, one insertion.
One square, two insertions.
One square, three insertions.
One square, six insertions.
One square, tweive insertions.
One square, one month. NO. 1. tachments bave been made for public and 31, four times; Station 3, twice; Station 15, private buildings, principally in the higher

parts of the city.

Average daily consumption-new reser-

voir, 3.500,000 gallons; old reservoir, 2,500,-000 gallons-total, 6,000,000 gallons.

Receipts from January 1, 1878, to Jan-uary 1, 1879. \$67.112.72; disbursements from

January 1, 1878, to January 1, 1879, \$83,-

910.95; receipts over disbursements, \$83,-

The following is a statement of the opera-

tions at the Pump-House-quantity of water

pumped, average state of the thermometer, &c .- for the past year :

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* New pumps idle sixteen days-having spur wheel repaired.

Steam-pump at work two lve and a half days.

Freshet for five days during the month.

S High water for ten days, so as to impede the pro-

CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Since the 1st of last January the City

third assistant engineer. Edward H. Fisher,

Steam Fire-Engine Company No. 1, Twen-

ty-fifth street near Broad-E. T. Snead

25

March

March 19

July 3... 45
July 10... 31
July 13... 45
July 27... 7
August 1... 34...
Sept'r 8... 5
Sept'r 11... 13

Dec'r 25 52 52 Dec'r 25 31 Dec'r 26 23 Dec'r 26 23 Dec'r 26 23 Dec'r 27 12 Dec'r 30 32

February.

Novem'r.

Sept'r 22.

200 Overheated furnace.

Out of the city.

Unknown. Chimney sparks. Chimney sparks. Chimney sparks.

Chimney sparks. Chimney sparks.

500 Spontaneous combustic 100 Inc. adiary. 100 Chimney sparks. Chimney sparks. Inspection of Departme

Incendrary. Kerosene explosion.

50 Overheated stove-pipe. 150 Unknown. 25 Kerosene explosion.

Lightnioz. Aeridental gas-jet. Unknown. Aeridental-gas-jet.

.... Out of the city.

Unknown.

2.000 Unknowa.

1,000 Accident. 10 Overheated stove.

40.000 Incendiary. Chimney sparks.

Ne, ligence.

100 Unknown.
Carelessness—live coals
left in wooden box.

Chimney sparks. False alarm.

100 Kerosene lamp overturn'd 156 Unknown.

Celored woman drunk,

CAUSE OF FIRE.

Incendiary

1,000 Inspection De, ariment
1,000 Keroseue explosion...
40.160 Overheated stove.
52,350 Overheated stove-pipe.
Lightning...
Accident from gas-jet...
Accidental...
Carclessness...
Negligence...
False alarm...

Kerosene lamp overturn-

Colored woman drunk, and fell into fire.....

Pire-crackers...... Defective flue......

and fell into fire.

Chimney sparks.

Chimney sparks. Fire-crackers. Chimney sparks. Unknown.

50.000 Carclessness—cas jet.
50 Sparks from fire-place.
Chimney sparks.

Out of the city.

250 Defective flue.

RECAPITULATION.

LOSSES

3.000 Carelessness.

clerk to Fire Department. .

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once; Station 46. once; Station 43. once; Station 86, once; Station 52, once; Station 12, once. FIRE-ALARM AND POLICE TELE-

GRAPH.

THE DISPATCH TERMS OF ADVERTISING.

There was but one change made in the Fire-Alarm stations during the year, that was the placing of Box 54 at the corner of Harvey and Main streets, making the total number of fire-alarm boxes, 31; and the total number of dial instruments on the police wire, 8. Mr. R. M. J. Paynter is the superintendent.

CITY ALMSHOUSE.

The City Almshouse is under the control of the Committee of the City Council for the Relief of the Poor. L. Wagner, chair-

The officers of the institution are: Charles P. Bigger, superintendent: William J. Epps, assistant superintendent; J. S. D. Culien, physician.

Number of Inme Died at Alms December 26,	atės Admitted. I house from Jan 1878:	Discharged, and uary 1, 1878, to
	WHITES.	
Females 65	Discharged. Males 88 Females 59 Children 34	Males17 Females10
Total201	181	35
	COLORED.	
Admitted, Malos115 Females119 Children 54	Discharged. Ma'e 72 Females 87	Died. Males 48 Females 25 Children 15
Total288	196	88
Total number	remaining at same	date:
White males White females White children	53 Colored	males 63 females 2 children 18
Total	112	159

Grand total, 271-being 12 less than at the same

During the year eight white and nine colored children have been adopted-three white by ladies to be raised as their own children; one white by Male Orphan Asylum; two white by St. Paul's Church Home; two white by St. Joseph's Asylum; seven colored by colored persons to be raised as their own children; two colored by the Colored Orphan Asylum.

Department Out-Door Poor. This department, also under the control of the Committee of the City Council for the kehef of the Poor, has furnished rehef to out-door poor from January 1, 1878, to

December 26, 1878, as follows: Rations .- Corn-meal furnished, 7,883 Council has passed a new ordinance for the bushels, 44 pounds; corn-meal furnished government of the Fire Department, and last year, 7,355 bushels, 362 pounds—inthis important branch of the city govern- crease over last year, 528 bushels, 74 ment has been entirely reorganized, and is pounds.

Fuel. Wood furnished, 850 corde, wood now composed of a chief engineer and ture assistant engineers, 7 foremen, 63 furnished last year, 1,001; cords—decrease minute-men, 15 station-men, and 18 horses, from last year, 1512 cords. Coke furnished, located and divided as follows: George A. 3.7392 bushels; coke furnished last year, Ain-lie, chief engineer; G. Wait Taylor, 4,300 bushels-decrease from last year, 5602 first assistant engineer: J. F. Wingfield, bushels.

Medicines .- Prescriptions furnished from city dispensaries (exclusive of Medical College), 4.099; prescriptions furnished last year, 4.857—decrease from last year, 758. Coffins .- Number furnished. 161; number furnished last year, 148-increase over

Steam Fire-Engine Company No. 2, Main last year, 13. Burials .- Number furnished, 208; number furnished last year, 250-decrease from Steam Fire-Engine Company No. 3, Broad last year, 42.

Ambulance.-Number of signals answerstreet near Ninth-Miles T. Phillips foreed, 205; number of signals answered last Steam Fire-Engine Company No. 4. year, 219-decrease from last year, 14. Of Third street near Broad-J. T. Pemberton the 205 ambulance cases, 100 were whites and 105 were colored; 15 whites and 25 colored were brought to the almshouse. Steam Fire-Engine Company No. 5, Brook Drs. William Perrin Nicolson, Meade C. avenue and Marshall street-Elias Kelly Kemper, and Donald McPhail are the sur-Hose Company No. & Tenth Street near geons in charge.

(ity Hospital (Small-Pex.) Main-J. E. Walthall foreman, 9 minute-Charles P. Bigger, superintendent. This institution is under the control of the Com-Hook-and-Ladder Truck Company No. 1, Broad street near Ninth-A. T. Minor fore- mittee on Health. James T. Gray, chair-The Fire Department costs the city about No patients were admitted, discharged,

or died from January 1, 1878, to December 26, 1878.

RICHMOND POLICE FORCE.

The police force is managed by the Board of Police Commissioners.

Major John Poe, Jr., is chief of police; Wallace Washington, clerk to same; Dr. C. W. P. Brock, police surgeon. First Police Station (Old Market) .- Captain, James B. Pleasants; Sergeants, B. F. Howard, W. B. Whitlock, Daniel Wren; Acting Sergeant, James P. Jeter; and 22

patrolmen. Second Police Station (New Market).— Captain, Thomas' B. White; Sergeants, R. T. Seal, John D. Perrin, John T. Hall; Acting Sergeant, James B. Angle; and 21 patrolmen.

Third Police Station (corner of Marshall street and Brook avenue).—Captain, Charles H. Epps; Sergeants, Dudley Gilman, R. A. Thomas, J. H. Parater; Acting Sergeant, R. A. Cousins; and 20 patrolmen.

Sergeant E. H. Chalkley, officer at Police Three men detailed for sanitary duty, and under the control of the President of the Board of Health, making a total of \$4 officers

The following changes have taken place in the force during the year: Resigned, 2; discharged, 7-total 9; appointed, 10, there being one vacancy at the beginning of the

Total number of arrests made, 4.385felony, 264; misdemeanor, 4,121; white, 1,922; colored, 2,463. Number of ordinance violations reported. 1,329; number of lodgers accommodated,

1,084; number of alarms of fire. 62.

BUILDINGS ERECTED IN 1878. Where were 179 brick buildings crected

n 1878, 84 frame buildings erected, and 34 old buildings enlarged; the total cost of which amounted to \$360,000. Population of Richmond and Menrico.

The population of Henrico county. ineluding Richmond city, was as follows at each census taken :

1810	19,650
1820	23,667
1890	28,797
1840	33,076
1853	43.572
1860	60616
1870	66,179
The population of Richmond city	was in
1830	16,060
1840	20.153
1850	27,570
1860	37.707
1870	61,038
1874	60.700
1878	79.000
All the figures except those in rela	tion to

Richmond for 1874 and 1878 are from the United States census. Those for 1874 are from census made by city authorities; those for 1878 are from estimate of Board of

A school census was taken about the middie of the year 1875 of persons between the ages of five and twenty-one, and the number recorded then was 20,754-white, 11,-855; colored, 8,899. It is generally estimated that the population between the ages designated constitutes two-sevenths of the entire population of a community. Accordingly, at the middle of the year 1875 the population of the city was 72,639-white,